development characteristics, and land development potential. The probability is rated on a scale from 0 (none) to 1.00 (excellent).

The environmental impact analysis considers the effect of a project on the physical, social/cultural, and economic environment. Many of these have been accounted for in evaluating the project with respect to user benefits, cost, and economic development potential. The environmental analysis evaluates the impact of the project on the following: (1) air quality, (2) water resources, (3) soils and geology, (4) wildlife, (5) vegetation, (6) neighborhoods, (7) noise, (8) educational facilities, (9) churches, (10) parks and recreational facilities, (11) historic sites and landmarks, and (12) public health and safety. The summation of both positive and negative impact probabilities with respect to these factors provides a measure of the relative environmental impact of a project.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

Physical Environment

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Wildlife
Vegetation

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Noise
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Churches
Parks and Recreational Facilities
Public Health and Safety
National Defense
Aesthetics

Economic Environment

Businesses
Employment
Economic Development
Public Utilities
Transportation Costs
Capital Costs
Operation and Maintenance Costs